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I am a computer professional who uses Linux, Macs, Unix, and Windows.

I do not begrudge Microsoft success as a company. I do, however, believe they need to be held accountable for their criminal behavior as shown in the recent court decision.

The settlement, as currently proposed, does nothing to prevent them from continuing to do business in a manner harmful to the industry and society as a whole. By implementing the proposed settlement you will have signaled to all that mediocrity is the highest point we will strive for in this country.

Microsoft has shown that they do not innovate but copy those companies that do excel and then dominate the market through illegal practices. If you allow this settlement to occur you will have shown that what is right does not matter, only the power of the dollar.

Thank you for your time.

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